**Free blood pressure check and meet local pharmacy leaders**

**Tuesday 15th November, 2:30-4:30pm, Room R, Portcullis House**

Dear xxx,

As [your constituent (Postcode)/ a local pharmacy leader], I am writing to encourage you to attend a parliamentary drop-in event, to demonstrate the **NHS blood pressure check service**, a new service available in most community pharmacies throughout the country. Frontline pharmacists [representatives from your LPC] will be on hand to explain what is involved in the new service and to offer you a free blood pressure check. You will also be briefed on local issues affecting community pharmacies.

The Pharmaceutical Services Negotiating Committee (soon to be renamed: Community Pharmacy England) represents all 11,000+ NHS community pharmacies in England. They will be hosting the drop-in event and are planning for other community pharmacy bodies including the National Pharmacy Association, the Company Chemists’ Association and the Royal Pharmaceutical Society to be present on the day.

Together with the local pharmacists who will be present, they will explain the frontline role pharmacists play in delivering vital services, including vaccinations and health checks and free, expert advice. They will be on hand to explain the impact locally of the severe financial pressures & capacity challenges the sector faces, as well as the need for a fully funded NHS walk-in service to be commissioned.

Please contact George Foote (George.Foote@psnc.org.uk) if you can attend this event, or if you have any further questions.

Best wishes,

[LPC/ Contractor/ constituent]